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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT: Draft Minutes of the 29 April USIB Meeting

The attached draft minutes of the 29 April Intelligence Board meeting will be considered at the next regular Board meeting. A Special Annex to these minutes is being circulated through special channels.

JAMES S. LAY, JR

Executive Secretary

Attachment

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### UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

Minutes of
Three-hundred-twenty-second Meeting
United States Intelligence Board
USIB Conference Room
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1030 hours, 29 April 1964

Director of Central Intelligence
John A. McCone
Presiding

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

- Dr. Ray S. Cline, acting for Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
- Mr. Thomas L. Hughes, Director of Intelligence and Research,
  Department of State
- Lieutenant General Joseph F. Carroll, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency
- Dr. Louis W. Tordella, Acting Director, National Security Agency
- Dr. Charles H. Reichardt, acting for Atomic Energy Commission representative to USIB
- Mr. Alan H. Belmont, Federal Bureau of Investigation representative to USIB

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1. USIB-D-41.14/132
(COMOR-D-24/134),

28 April 1964
(Limited distribution through restricted channels)

(Record of action on subject paper in USIB-D-41.14/133 (COMOR-D-24/135), limited distribution through restricted channels.)

2. <u>USIB-D-41, 15/34</u> (COMOR-D-48/68)

(Record of discussion of this item contained in subject paper, limited distribution through restricted channels.)

3. Approval of Minutes
22 April Meeting
(USIB-M-321, including
Annex distributed through
special channels)

Approved as amended, "including the Special Annex.

4. Watch Report No. 714

Several Board members participated in a discussion of the section in the Watch Report concerning Laos, particularly regarding Communist military intentions vis-a-vis the FAR and the Kong Le neutralist forces in the Plaine des Jarre area.

The Board then approved the Watch Report as amended.

<sup>\*</sup>A revised page 4, incorporating the amendment, is attached to the Special Annex to these minutes.

5. Stage I Report of the Staff for the Community Information

Processing Study (SCIPS)

(USIB-D-39.7/5, 16 March;
USIB-M-321, 22 April, item 6)

In opening the discussion of this item the Chairman noted that the Board had deferred action on the SCIPS Report following a brief discussion on 22 April (see reference minutes).

Mr. Borel, the Chairman of CODIB, requested that Recommendation 5 in the subject report be dropped since it had not yet been demonstrated that this was useful with respect to SIGINT alone and that, therefore, the program probably should not be broadened at this time. General Carroll acknowledged the problems involved, but objected to dropping Recommendation 5 because of its ultimate potential as a useful intelligence community program. The acting CIA member pointed out that there was no disagreement in principle and suggested that the problem be handled by incorporating Recommendation 5 as one of the tasks to be studied under Recommendation 4.

Dr. Tordella suggested the need for flexibility in the opening sentence of Recommendation 4 so that it did not appear as though all the proposals had to be accomplished at once. General Carroll agreed and suggested selecting the most pressing and urgent tasks for first attention. The CODIB Chairman acknowledged the need for some priorities, but pointed out that the accomplishment of these tasks required a variety of expertise, and hence no single organizational component would be unduly burdened even if all were pursued concurrently. Dr. Cline then suggested that the permissive language proposed by Dr. Tordella would give sufficient flexibility to make manageable the problems which may arise.

The Chairman agreed with the need for more flexible language and suggested that a quarterly CODIB progress report to USIB would help keep the program moving.

The Board then:

- a. Noted the Stage I SCIPS Report (USIB-D-39.7/5) and the Consultant Panel Evaluation therein.
- b. Approved the recommendations on pages 20, 21, and 22 of USIB-D-39.7/5 subject to the following changes:
  - (1) The first sentence of Recommendation 4 is to read:
    "4. Direct CODIB to establish ad hoc groups to do such
    tasks as:"
  - (2) Amended Recommendation 5 and directed that it be incorporated in Recommendation 4 as item j. to read as follows: "j. Develop a plan for a data files and systems library and the exchange of files for all types of intelligence data, taking into consideration action previously approved under USIB-S-13.4/4."
- c. Directed that CODIB submit to the Board a quarterly report on progress being made on the USIB-approved recommendations in USIB-D-39.7/5.
- 6. USIB-S-9.3/11, 27 April
  (Limited distribution through special channels; USIB-M-318, Special Annex, 2 April, item 2)

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| 8. | Nasser's Policies and |
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| 7  | Prospects             |
|    | (SNIE 36. 1-64)       |

The Board noted that, at the Chairman's request, consideration of this estimate was deferred until the 6 May USIB meeting.

- 9. Implications of the Situation in the Horn of Africa
  (NIE 75/76-64)
  - a. Approved NIE 75/76-64 as amended.
- b. No member raised objection to the release of this estimate to USIA.

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10. Request for NIE on The
Likelihood and Consequences
of a Proliferation of Nuclear
Weapons Systems
(Ref., NIE 4-63)

Copies of a letter from the State member to the Chairman, USIB, with enclosed Suggested Terms of Reference, were tabled which suggested updating the referenced estimate in the third quarter of 1964. The letter noted that additional information had been obtained on several countries which would change the conclusions of the reference estimate which the Board approved in June 1963.

Following a brief discussion centering on the new information available in this field, the Board approved the production of the subject estimate late in the third quarter of 1964.

11. State Request for NIE on

"Likelihood of Proliferation
of BW and CW Weapons

Systems"
(Tabled at 22 April meeting;
USIB-M-321, 22 April, item 7)

Mr. Kent, in opening the discussion on this item, reported on the serious problems involved in doing an estimate of this scope, particularly with reference to the second part of the Terms of Reference --i.e., that relative to the development of "token" BW and CW capability. He expressed concern that such an estimate might swamp the Scientific Intelligence Community in a task of dubious value. He also pointed out that there were a good many already published intelligence studies which were appropo to this subject.

The State member said he was aware of these problems, but that he was reluctant to tell the original requestor, the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (ACDA), that the U.S. Government could not help them on this problem.

The Chairman agreed that it would be difficult to produce such an estimate, but he also did not want to refuse the request. Mr. McCone suggested the possibility of producing an estimate with a format similar to some previous nuclear estimates in which a limited number of countries were treated by categories in declining order according to their potential in the field.

Following further discussion on how such an estimate might be handled, Mr. Hughes suggested a meeting of interested parties to see if a workable solution could be devised. The Chairman agreed.

The Board then directed that the Chairman of the BNE call a meeting of all interested parties to work out a satisfactory solution to ACDA's request and to report recommendations to the USIB at an early date.

JAMES S. LAY, JR. Executive Secretary 50X1

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